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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:ASEC, UR, US

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT AT NOON  
BRIEFING, FEBRUARY 10

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENT  
SPOKESMAN ON MOSCOW RADIATION PROBLEM:

QUOTE I THINK IT MUST HAVE BEEN CLEAR TO YOU YESTERDAY  
THAT WHILE I WAS REPLYING "NO COMMENT" TO YOUR MANY  
QUESTIONS ON THIS GENERAL SUBJECT, I WAS NOT DENYING  
THAT THERE IS A PROBLEM INVOLVING OUR CHANCERY IN  
MOSCOW.

LET ME JUST SAY IT IS A COMPLICATED AND DELICATE PROBLEM,  
AND WHICH, FRANKLY, IN OUR JUDGMENT, IT WOULD NOT BE  
HELPFUL TO DISCUSS IN PUBLIC AT THIS TIME. BUT WE HAVE  
BEEN DEALING AND ARE WITH IT. I REGRET I CANNOT BE MORE  
SPECIFIC TODAY, BUT WE HOPE AT SOME POINT TO BE ABLE  
TO MAKE A PUBLIC EXPLANATION OF THE PROBLEM. THAT IS  
REALLY ALL I CAN SAY ON THAT. UNQUOTE.

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2. EMBASSY SPOKESMAN SHOULD CONTINUE TO CONFINE HIMSELF  
TO "NO COMMENT" IN RESPONSE TO PRESS INQUIRIES. KISSINGER

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